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Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed 10/21/2003 please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows. The undersigned petitions for a onemonth extension for the period of response and hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge the required fee for a large entity of \$110.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1), and to charge any other necessary fee, or credit any overpayment, to USPTO Deposit Account No. 50-0891.